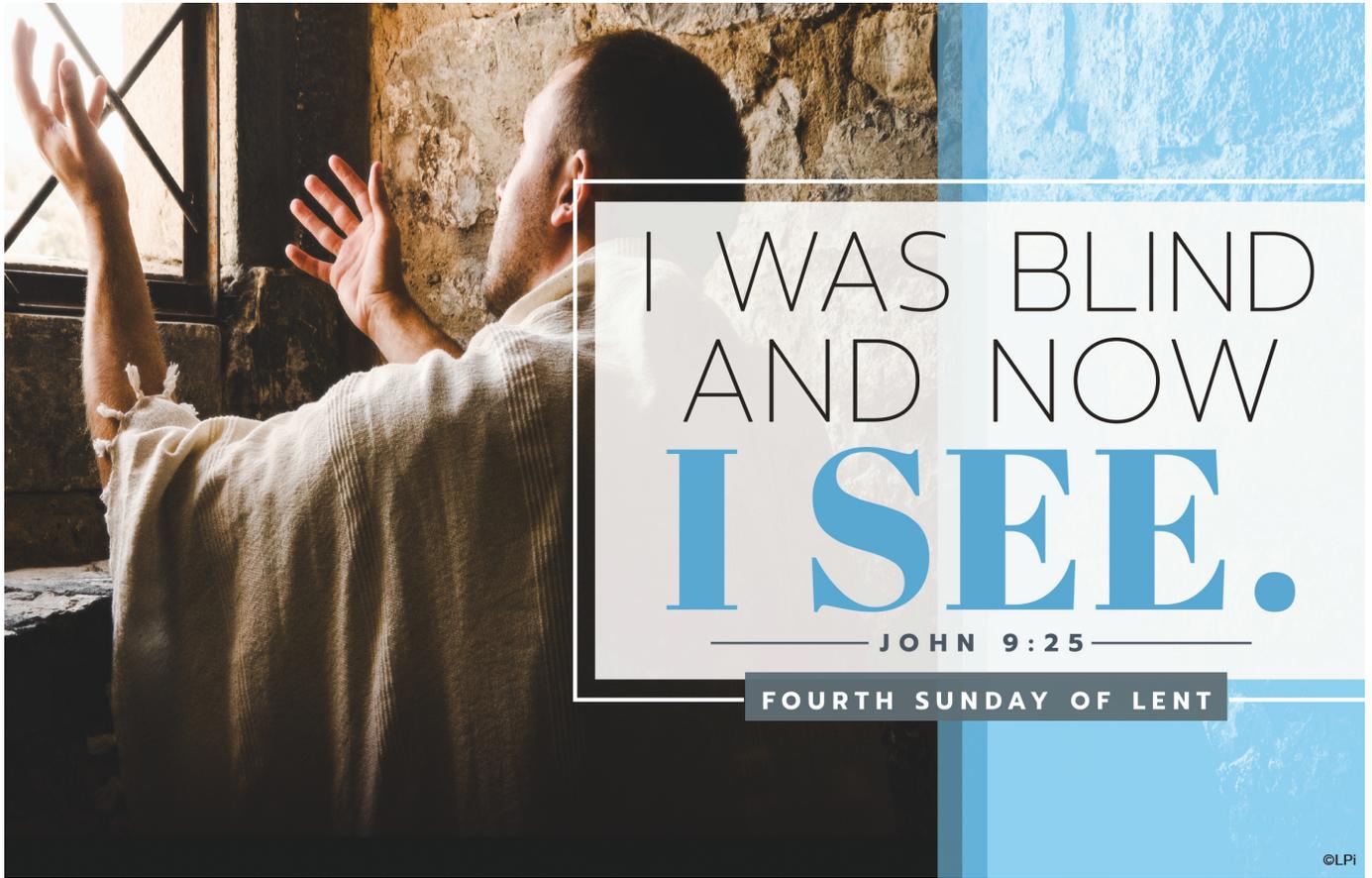




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Fostering Christ's Love in Our Lives

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- Saturday Mass.....5:15 PM
- Sunday Mass.....8:00 & 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

- Monday–Saturday Communion.....6:30 AM
- Monday - Friday Mass8:30 AM

Holy Day Masses

- Holy Day Masses.....8:30 AM, 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Saturday...4:30-5:00 PM

Adoration

- Monday...9:00 AM-10:00 AM

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

- Mon, Tu, Wed, Th, Fri.....8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Sat, Sun.....closed

Readings

Fourth Sunday of Lent, Cycle A

Sunday, March 15, 2026

First Reading: *1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a*

Samuel is sent to anoint David as king.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 23:1-6*

The Lord is our shepherd.

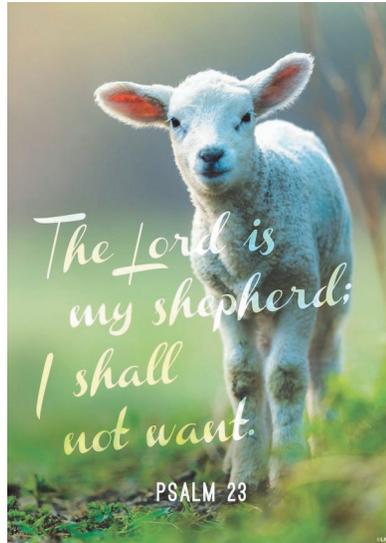
Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:8-14*

The Ephesians are told to live as children of light.

Gospel Reading: *John 9:1-41*

(shorter form: *John 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38*)

Jesus heals the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man.



Background on the Gospel Reading

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind.



ST. JOHN NEUMANN ATHLETICS

FISH FRY FRIDAYS

March 20, March 27

Hours of operation:
4:30-8:00pm

St. John Neumann Parish Gym
Homewood, IL

Fish Fry Dinner includes:
fries, slaw, roll and dessert

Adult \$14

Senior 65+/Kids 12u \$10

Shrimp Dinner: 8pc fries, slaw,
roll, dessert \$15

Spaghetti/Butter Noodle, roll
and cookie \$10

DINE IN & CARRY OUT

Come out and support our team sports and enjoy the company of friends at the parish's annual Lenten Fish Fry. Proceeds from the Lenten Fish Fry support the athletic programs.



FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS

at St. John Neumann Parish

You are invited to walk with Jesus on his journey to Calvary every Friday during the Lent at 7 pm.

WELCOME!

St. John Neumann Parish is a joy filled, Eucharist-centered community of missionary disciples, rooted in Scripture, Sacrament and Prayer, dedicated to encountering Christ in our lives, and creating a culture of belonging, unity and compassion as we reach out in service to others and embrace all people to give witness to the Love and Mercy of God in the greater community.

WEEKLY OFFERING TOTAL MARCH 7 & 8

Weekend Collections...\$8,675.00

Electronic Giving.....\$1,906.25

Total Donation.....\$10,581.25

Building/Utilities: \$281.00

Sharing: \$80.00

Flowers: \$20.00

Initial Offering: \$25.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Donate
Online



If you would like to consider electronic giving to St. John Neumann Parish in Homewood, online donations can be made using credit or debit card through GiveCentral.org

You can make one-time donations or can sign up for weekly or monthly donations.

To sign up for Give Central, go to www.givecentral.org or <https://www.givecentral.org/location/114>

Around the Parish



ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE Sunday, March 15

Following the 10:30 AM Mass,
Fr. Sayers Hall

Join us this Sunday, March 15th, for our parish St. Joseph's Table, a cherished tradition honoring Saint Joseph with symbolic foods that express gratitude and devotion. Following the 10:30am Mass, come enjoy fellowship, coffee, baked goods, and more.

EASTER FLOWER OFFERING

Easter Flower Offering envelopes are available now at the church exits. You will notice that the envelopes have a line for "given in memory of...." so that you can remember a departed loved one with your flower offering.

We will print the names of those being remembered in the Easter bulletin. Please return your Easter Flower offering envelope in the regular collection or drop it off at the rectory. They will remain available until the Solemnity of Pentecost..

MERCY HOME FOR BOYS & GIRLS

MARCH
FOR KIDS



March 14th and 15th after weekend Masses

Knights of Columbus Marian Council will be handing out shamrocks and collecting donations of any amount to support Mercy Home for Boys and Girls



100% of donations go to Mercy Home!

Mercy Home helps save lives by providing abused, neglected, and at-risk children a safe place to live, heal from emotional trauma, and education to help them build futures of hope and independence.

Around the Parish

THE JOYFUL VOICES SINGERS



St. John Neumann Parish is happy to announce a new music ensemble.

The **Joyful Voices Singers** featuring a contemporary approach to Liturgical music. This is an exciting opportunity for us to deepen our worship, enrich our prayer, and lift our voices together in praise. This effort comes from our desire to foster the full, conscious, and active participation of the entire assembly – something the Church has encouraged since the Second Vatican Council.

By choosing music that is more familiar and accessible, we hope every person feels confident lifting their voice in prayer and praise. Music is one of the most powerful ways we worship together, and your participation enriches our liturgy in a beautiful and meaningful way. We invite you to join us wholeheartedly in song as we continue to grow as a vibrant, prayerful community.

We plan on leading the music at the 5:15 Mass on the 3rd Saturday of every month. **Our next scheduled Mass is March 21st, 5:15pm.**

If you would like more information on joining the group, please reach out to Bill Rosas at williamrosas@gmail.com or via cell phone 630-399-2391. Voice or text. Or you can always stop by and chat after Mass. Bill is usually playing at the 5:15pm Saturday Mass or the 8am Sunday Mass.

We're looking forward to seeing and hearing you raise your voices with us!



If you would like a copy of your summary of donations to St John Neumann Parish for 2025, please call the rectory: 708-798-0622 ext 2 or email rectory@sjnhomewood.org.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE

If you have a need for financial assistance, please contact St. John Neumann St. Vincent de Paul Ministry at 708-510-1911 or email svdpsjn2026@gmail.com



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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026

5:15PM FR. EDMOND ARISTIL

Healing Stephan Childs
Special Int. Middleton Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026

8:00AM FR. TED OSTROWSKI

† People of St John Neumann Parish

10:30AM FR. EDMOND ARISTIL

Birthday Blessing Lauren Mahwikizi
Special Int. Roland Hargrove II
Special Int. Maura Douglas Family
Special Int. Middleton Family
† Mary C. Suffern
† Frances Sowa
† Ellen Heffernan
† Joseph Bandera
† Jim Colgan
† JoAnn Blaszczyk
† Rosanne Petrungaro
† Phil DuBrownik
† Dave Waters

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026

8:30AM FR. EDMOND ARISTIL

Healing Stephan Childs
† Patricia Boysen

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026

8:30AM FR. EDMOND ARISTIL

Healing Mary Kay Yerkes
Special Int. Yerkes Family
† Marykay Hill
† John Bandera

7:00PM LENTEN SERIES—DR. CLAUDIA HERRERA-MONTERO

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026

8:30 AM FR. TED OSTROWSKI

† Anthony Coltro
† Denise Hess

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2026

8:30AM FR. RALPH ZWIRN

† Richard Bandera
† Joseph Dirksen
† Mary Jule Begley

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2026

8:30AM FR. RON KONDIOLKA

Special Int. Capt. Robert Bulanda, US Air Force
Special Int. Lt. Col. Angela Bulanda, US Army
† Charles Giblin, Jr.

7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

— DEACON GEORGE MADDOCK

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

5:15PM FR. RALPH ZWIRN

Birthday Blessing Kathleen Cox
† Teresa Glynn
† Joyce Pecora
† Joseph Plomin, Sr.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026

8:00AM FR. EDMOND ARISTIL

† Eugene Ciesla

10:30AM FR. EDMOND ARISTIL

Birthday Blessing Jasmine Dowdy
Special Int. Noreen Colgan
Special Int. Camryn Shupryt, Army
Special Int. Nicholas Shupryt, Army
Special Int. Edward McDermed Family
† Josh Kaplin
† Kuzma Family
† Edward A. Marszewski
† JoAnn Blaszczyk
† Richard Rountree
† Leilani Marie Stansfield

MASS INTENTIONS

(Stipend per Mass Intentions is \$10. PLEASE PRINT)

Please submit this form 2 weeks before the mass date.

Name of Person for Whom Mass is Requested

Circle one: *Living, Deceased, Healing, Special Int. or Birthday*

Mass Date/Time Requested

Your Name

Send Email Confirmation

Mail the mass card to:

Religious Education for All Ages

BACKPEDAL

Is it inevitable that your progress is measured by “2 steps forward, 1 step back?” It is comforting to know that inexorable advance occurs despite setbacks. Our spiritual advancement, according to John of the Cross in his “Ascent of Mt Carmel,” is never a smooth forever upward path. We instead struggle to climb a series of steps that are strewn with obstacles that often seem insurmountable. The “ratchet effect” generally protects us from a relentless *backward* slide. To counter the hardship, discouragement and even despair that mark our accomplishments we need to develop steadfast & resolute stamina. And learn to avoid repeating the mistakes of unsuitable behavior that sabotage our own efforts.



The technical term for ‘falling (failing?) again’ is recidivism. It is the action of repeating undesirable behavior even though one has experienced negative consequences. At its extreme recidivism describes the tendency of former prisoners who are re-arrested for criminal behavior. Relapse is synonymous with deterioration in a medical condition.

Another image for such a retreat *backwards* is ‘backpedal.’ This word comes to us visually from the motion used to engage coaster brakes on kids’ or cruiser bikes. Can you imagine your favorite politician or leader furiously “backpedaling” to retract or modify a previously held opinion or position? How often does one retreat from one’s bedrock principles just to remain popular? In such circumstances truth and credibility begin their backward slide. *Backpedaling* is not to be confused with *backtracking*. *Backtracking* reverses one’s action to return to a familiar & secure starting point. Perhaps it was the place from which one strayed from the right path. A firm spot for the lost from which to redirect & reorient oneself is it not?

In a similar vein, ‘backsliding’ refers to a spiritual decline or turning away from one’s commitment to one’s faith. One moves away from a close relationship with God. This shift begins as a gradual drift away from Him. A noticeable decline in spiritual fervor & obedience always follows. One turns apathetically away, often in sin, to previous unholy habits or actual unbelief. The concept is often conveyed by the words “turning away,” “falling away,” or “wilderness wandering” in the bible. As recipients of God’s deliverance, the Israelites ungratefully turned to idolatry while Moses was receiving the 10 Commandments on Mt Sinai. This sad story reminds us that even those who have been blessed with God’s mighty gifts are not immune to temptation and unfaithfulness. It all started in Genesis with Adam & Eve. Have we turned to the idols of worldly comforts instead of relying upon God? Do material possessions, success, or other frivolous pursuits take precedence over our relationship with God?

Other OT prophets frequently use the image of Israel as an unfaithful spouse or rebellious child. Jeremiah depicts the “backsliding” of Israel as both a moral failure & betrayal of the divine covenant. Yet God repeatedly invites His people to repentance. Without question He readily offers His divine mercy to those who turn back. Merciful forgiveness is always available. The prophet Hosea portrays Israel’s turning away as spiritual adultery and urges repentance. God’s heartbreak at the unfaithfulness of His people is real. He mercifully wants us to return!

Eli’s sons, the priests Hophni & Phinehas, selfishly indulged their own desires. Their unrepentant lack of reverence for God’s laws & directives led to severe consequences. Despite being an incredibly wise ruler, Solomon fell prey to the persuasion and influence of those around him. He had surrounded himself with people who led him astray. His foreign wives encouraged him to compromise his convictions & religion for personal pleasure and gain.

Jesus’s parable of the prodigal son illustrates the lesson of straying from the Father and the open arms that await a repentant return. While the story focuses on forgiveness, it also demonstrates how easily one can squander blessings. The Apostle Peter succumbed to fear when he abandoned Jesus by denying Him. This act of betrayal revealed Peter’s lack of courage at a crucial moment. Don’t we all have the tendency to falter under pressure?

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Readings for the Week

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 15, 2026

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Daily Readings > <https://sjnhomewood.org/daily-readings-and-gospel>

BULLETIN ARTICLES DUE DATES

Please submit your bulletin articles early for:

BULLETIN	DUE DATE
March 29	Mon, March 23
April 5	Fri, March 27

Around the Parish

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In the book of Revelation, the church at Ephesus is commended for its hard work, perseverance, and discerning nature against false apostles. But Ephesus is called out for its *backslide*. Despite its strong start and fervent love for Jesus, this community allowed their passion for Christ to wane.

We need to understand that even in our weakest moments of *backsliding*, there is always an opportunity for redemption & restoration, transformation & growth. *Backpedal* from your turning away from God in your unholy habits. *Backtrack* to your last reconciliation to regain your grace. Restore your personal relationship with our Creator. He ever awaits our return.

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Lenten Series

— walking together —

Embrace the journey of renewal and contemplation this Lent.

Join us for an inspiring series of speakers who will guide us on an uplifting journey to deepen our relationship with Christ.

GUEST SPEAKERS
TUESDAY NIGHTS 7 PM



"WALKING TOGETHER IN HOPE (ESPERANZA) WITH A CROWD OF WITNESSES"

DR. CLAUDIA HERRERA-MONTERO
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,
THEOLOGY
DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY
MARCH 17



TAIZÉ SONGS PRAYER

MARCH 24



JOIN US FOR SOUP & BREAD BEFORE EACH PRESENTATION

FR. SAYERS HALL (SCHOOL GYM) 5:30 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION: CROMAN@SJNHOMewood.ORG OR 708. 798.0622, EXT. 4

Around the Parish

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES – “WALKING TOGETHER”



Last week, Dr. Vanessa White delivered an amazing presentation. Her energy and enthusiasm uplifted everyone present at the Lenten Series. In her talk, “Walking Together,” Dr. White reflected on how we often miss God’s grace because we focus too much on the negative. She encouraged us instead to remain open and attentive to God’s presence and to consider our next steps both personally and as members of St. John Neumann. She invited us to reflect on our commitment to one another and to our wider community.

We are grateful to the St. Vincent de Paul Ministry for sponsoring the soup and bread, and to the Elizabeth Ministry for the delightful baked goods.

If you have missed any of the Lenten Speaker Series, there is still time to join us. We have one more presentation, featuring Dr. Claudia Herrera-Montero from Dominican University, followed by a Taizé service.

A Taizé worship service includes sung and chanted prayers, meditation, periods of silence, liturgical readings, and icons, creating a peaceful, contemplative atmosphere.

We look forward to seeing you at our final Lenten Series event.



Calendar of Events

Monday, March 16, 2026		
6:30 AM	Communion Service	Ch
8:30 AM	Mass	Ch
9:00 AM	Adoration	Ch
3:30 PM	Monday Meal@St Anne	A-SH
5:00 PM	OCIA	108
6:30 PM	GriefShare	T-E
Tuesday, March 17, 2026		
6:30 AM	Communion Service	Ch
8:30 AM	Mass	Ch
9:00 AM	Faith Sharing Group	T-W
4:00-9:00 PM	Set up/Reserved	SH, K
5:30 PM	Soup & Bread	SH
7:00 PM	Lenten Series	Ch
7:00 PM	Reserved	T-W
Wednesday, March 18, 2026		
6:30 AM	Communion Service	Ch
8:30 AM	Mass	Ch
10:00 AM	GriefShare	T-W
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Ch
Thursday, March 19, 2026		
6:30 AM	Communion Service	Ch
8:30 AM	Mass	Ch
1:00 PM	Piecemakers Quilters	T-W
6:00-9 PM	Athletics	SH
6:00 PM	Young Adults	109
6:00 PM	St Vincent de Paul Mtg	108
7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Mtg	T-W
7:00 PM	Fellowship Mtg	T-E
7:00 PM	ALPHA Mtg	114
Friday, March 20, 2026		
6:30 AM	Communion Service	Ch
8:00 AM	ELC	A-SH
8:30 AM	Mass	Ch
4:30 PM-8:00	Fish Fry	SH
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	Ch
Saturday, March 21, 2026		
6:00 -11:00 AM	Cleanup	SH
6:30 AM	Communion Service	Ch
9:00 -11:00 AM	Loyola Scripture	108
1:30 PM	StVdeP/Food Distribution	P
3:00 PM	Confirmation Youth Enc	SH
4:30 PM	Confessions	Ch
5:15 PM	Mass/Joyful Voices	Ch
6-10 PM	Reserved/Sweeney Hall	A-SH
Sunday, March 22, 2026		
8:00 AM	Mass	Ch
9 AM-7 PM	Reserved/Sweeney Hall	A-SH
9 AM-7 PM	Reserved/St Anne	Ch A-Ch
9:00-10:15 AM	Rel Ed Classes	S/SH
10:30 AM	Mass/Family Mass	Ch
Ch	Church	CH-V Church Vestibule
P	Parking Lot	R Rectory
S	School	SH Fr Sayers Hall
K	School Kitchen	
T-W	Tolton Rm/West	T-E Tolton Rm/East
108	Rm 108/School	109 Rm 108/School
A-SH	St Anne/Fr. Sweeney Hall	
A-CH	St. Anne/ Church	

Around the Parish

ST. JOHN NEUMANN—GAME DAY WITH THE CHICAGO WHITE SOX

Join us once again for our annual parish outing to the ballpark! We'll be heading to the **Chicago White Sox vs. Los Angeles Dodgers** game on:

Saturday, June 13 • 3:10 PM

Tickets: \$30 (Section 163, Rows 20-26), **Optional Transportation: \$14**

To purchase tickets, please complete the form below and return it with your payment in an envelope. You may place the envelope in the Sunday collection basket or drop it off at the parish rectory.

Please make all payments payable to **St. John Neumann**. On the outside of the envelope, write your name and **"Attention: White Sox Tickets."**

We look forward to enjoying a fun day at the ballpark with our parish community! **"The first 15,000 fans to enter the ballpark will receive a Colson Montgomery bobblehead."**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Number of tickets: _____ x \$30 = _____

Number of passengers: _____ x \$14 = _____

Total \$ _____

Yes, I am interested in transportation

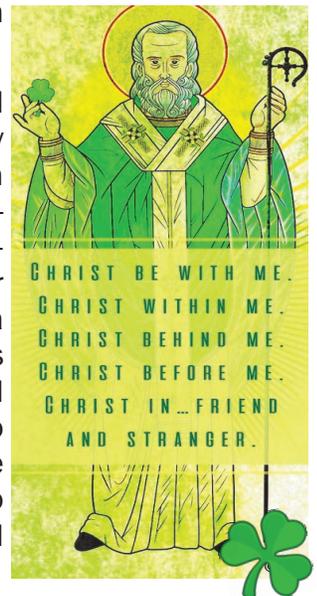
For more information, contact Carlos at croman@sjnhomewood.org or 708-798-0622, ext. 4.

ST. PATRICK | TUESDAY, MARCH 17



Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 - 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family. His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.



"I fear nothing, because of the promises of Heaven." -St Patrick

Body & Soul

Pray for the Sick

LIZ ADDUCCI
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 CARL ANDERSON
 WILBER "LEROY" ARCHER
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